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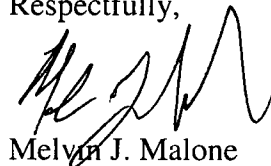
**RE: Tennessee Coalition of Rural Incumbent Telephone Companies and  
Cooperatives Request for Suspension of Wireline to Wireless Number  
Portability Obligations Pursuant to Section 251(f)(2) of the  
Communications Act of 1934, as Amended  
TRA Docket # 03-00633**

Dear Mr. Collier:

As you know, the May 24, 2004, wireline-to-wireless LNP deadline established by the Federal Communications Commission is fast approaching. Recognizing the same and that the Directors have appointed the Authority's General Counsel or his designee as Hearing Officer in this matter to resolve preliminary issues, Verizon Wireless requests that the Hearing Officer determine whether the Tennessee Coalition of Rural Incumbent Telephone Companies and Cooperatives ("Tennessee Coalition") has complied with the Authority's order requiring the Tennessee Coalition to amend its Petition and expedite other necessary preliminary decisions.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know

Respectfully,



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